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Availability of Agent Candidates in SMOOTHIERLAND

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1. In line with ☐ discussions with ARCASSOWARY 3 and 6 and also on ARCASSOWARY 2's suggestion, ARCASSOWARY 3 met with fm VASYL'KO aka ZHUKKO in the presence of ARCAVATINA 5 on 18 January 1956 in order to acquaint himself with the operational climate and the availability of agent candidates in SMOOTHIERLAND. VASYL'KO formerly served as the ARCAVATINA 1 organization technical representative to SMOYH during the SMOYH-ARCAVATINA 1 collaboration. As a resident of SMOOTHIERLAND, VASYL'KO gave the impression to ARCASSOWARY 3 that he was relatively well informed on the emigre picture in SMOOTHIERLAND.

2. According to VASYL'KO, Ukrainian emigres in SMOOTHIERLAND, contrary to those in FBPRIME or Canada, have been poorly assimilated into the SMOOTHIERLAND society. This is attributable to several reasons, the first of which is the natural aloofness and reserved attitude of the people in SMOOTHIERLAND. Secondly, the economic conditions of the emigres in SMOOTHIERLAND do not encourage the assimilation of the emigres since most emigres do not enjoy a very high level of living. Furthermore, a dearth of Ukrainian females has forced most Ukrainian males to remain without permanent home ties particularly since they are likewise unable, except on rare occasions, to marry local girls. The aforementioned is likewise applicable to emigres of other nationalities.

3. In view of the above, SMOYH has met with relative success in recruiting eligible candidates from among the Ukrainian emigres for various intelligence activities. According to VASE'KO, most recently SMOYH has been recruiting Ukrainian males, age 30 and over, for what he believed was semi-military training. VASE'KO states that SMOYH has selected candidates only from the ARCAVATINA 1 faction of the Ukrainian emigration. (Note: We are not aware of the exact nature of the relationship between SMOYH and the ARCAVATINA 1 faction of the Ukrainian emigration in SMOOTHIERLAND after the ARCAVATINA 1 split and through whom SMOYH may be coordinating the aforementioned activities.) Since the Ukrainian emigration in SMOOTHIERLAND is politically active and alert and hence, according to VASE'KO, it is understandable that the ARCAVATINA 1 faction of the Ukrainian emigration feels left out particularly when provoked by the ARCAVATINA 1 faction re their current inactivity and unpreparedness for the future.

4. VASYL'KO considers that of the physically fit, and otherwise eligible young Ukrainian males in the ARCAVATINA 1 faction, circa forty percent are

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ready volunteers for cadre type of training. Of this forty percent circa five to ten percent are willing to undertake dangerous work even though they know that there is little hope of surviving more than several years after undertaking the specific mission. If, however, some assurance could be given the candidates that, in undertaking a mission, all chances of survival were not necessarily completely excluded, virtually the entire forty percent would be available for dangerous missions (it was implied into the USSR). VASYL'KO estimates that the aforementioned would be parially applicable to the ANDRUSHCHUK 1 supporters.

5. Because neither VASYL'KO, ANDRASHCHUK 3 nor ANDRASHCHUK 5 knew the exact number of Ukrainian emigres, much less eligibly Ukrainian males, in SMOOTHERLAND, the above does not permit us to estimate the exact number of those who may be available for missions into the USSR. It does, however, appear to indicate that the ANDRUSHCHUK 1 supporters are desirous of participating in some type of activity along these lines outlined by [] during his recent visit to MCB.

6. Although ANDRASHCHUK 2 had urged ANDRASHCHUK 3 to "recruit" VASYL'KO as the ANDRASHCHUK 2-ANDRUSHCHUK 1 representative for SMOOTHERLAND, ANDRASHCHUK 3 assessed VASYL'KO to be of greater use if, during his stay in SMOOTHERLAND, VASYL'KO were merely to remain in "unofficial" contact with ANDRASHCHUK 2. ANDRASHCHUK 3 based his feelings on the impression that VASYL'KO, due to his youth and political immaturity, could inadvertently make known to SMOTH his status as the ANDRASHCHUK 2-ANDRUSHCHUK 1 representative with detrimental results to KIBARK-SMOTH relations (especially since VASYL'KO remains in some type of contact with SMOTH); hence he merely urged VASYL'KO to remain in "contact" with ANDRASHCHUK 2. Since VASYL'KO has indicated his desire to study formally at a university, ANDRASHCHUK 3 feels that ANDRASHCHUK 2 might be able to "recruit" VASYL'KO for the purpose desired in the form of monthly stipends which would ostensibly be granted to assist VASYL'KO's studies.

7. In view of what appears to be a reservoir of agents candidates, ANDRASHCHUK 3 and ANDRASHCHUK 5 discussed sending an ANDRUSHCHUK 1 representative to SMOOTHERLAND to conduct a general survey under the pretext of calling political meetings among the ANDRUSHCHUK 1 supporters. Although ANDRASHCHUK 5 does not enter the ANDRUSHCHUK 1 governing body, and the subject of the survey would have to be discussed more specifically with ANDRUSHCHUK 4, it was agreed between ANDRASHCHUK 5 and ANDRASHCHUK 3 that Roman ILTYTSKY visit SMOOTHERLAND in the near future for the purpose of conducting the survey.

8. ANDRASHCHUK 5 expressed his feelings that Belgium was likewise a suitable area in which agent candidates could be found since those conditions mentioned as existing in SMOOTHERLAND are even more applicable in Belgium primarily because of the economic condition of the emigres in Belgium.

9. It should be noted that ANDRASHCHUK 3 did not reveal the nature of his specific interests to VASYL'KO who readily volunteered the aforementioned information when engaged in a very general discussion concerning SMOTH

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sponsored activities among emigres in SMOOTHERLAND. MCH will promptly report any further developments along this line.

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